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**PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT: Rephael Hof, et al.  
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EXAMINER: Melba Bumgarner  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Examiner:

Please consider this preliminary amendment in advance of issuing an Office Action for this Application.

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